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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 657
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A RESOLUTION to recognize Matthew Steven Patterson, 2000
Valedictorian of Culleoka High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Patterson is one such exceptional student who was recently named valedictorian of the 2000 graduating class at Culleoka High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Matthew has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Matthew has earned an exemplary 3.911 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Patterson has been an active participant in many extracurricular clubs and activities, including the Beta Club, the Spanish Club, and the Nazarene Youth Organization; and

WHEREAS, Matthew has demonstrated his athletic ability as a valuable member of the school's Golf Team and Baseball Team; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's tremendous intellect has been duly recognized by his receipt of the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship and his receipt of the Highest Average Award in each of his high school years; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Patterson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Deb and Steve Patterson, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Patterson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Culleoka High School Valedictorian, Matthew Steven Patterson, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.